AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

Kindly replace the paragraph beginning at line 25 of page 3 and ending at line 11 of page 4 with the following amended paragraph.

A preferred embodiment of the present invention will be described hereinbelow in detail with reference to the accompanying drawings. Fig. 1 and Fig. 2 illustrate a door operating apparatus 10 (vehicle door operating apparatus) provided within a door 11 (vehicle door). The door 11 is a swing-type door provided on a side surface of the vehicle, and Fig.1 illustrates a cross-section of the door 11 viewed from the ~~front~~ rear of the vehicle toward the front of the vehicle. Fig.2 illustrates a flat-view of the inner configuration of the door 11 viewed from inside of the compartment. Fig.3 illustrates a flat-view of a door lock apparatus 20 (vehicle door lock apparatus) viewed from the rear of the vehicle to the front of the vehicle. Fig.4 illustrates a perspective view of the door operating apparatus 10. Fig.5 and Fig.6 illustrate the door lock apparatus 20 of the door operating apparatus 10 assembled to the door 11, which corresponds to Fig. 1 and Fig. 2. In Fig. 4, a three-dimensional vector is shown by ~~allows~~ arrows with letters U (upper), D (lower), F (front), R (rear), O (outboard) and I (inboard). In Fig. 2 and Fig. 6, two-dimensional vectors are shown by ~~allows~~ arrows with letters U (upper), D (lower), F (front) and R (rear). In Fig. 1, Fig. 3 and Fig. 5, two-dimensional vectors are shown by ~~allows~~ arrows with letters U (upper), D (lower), O (outboard) and I (inboard).

Kindly replace the paragraph beginning at line 18 of page 4 with the following amended paragraph.

The door lock apparatus 20 is roughly comprised of a latch mechanism 30 (latch mechanism) section and a lock mechanism 31 section. A housing 32 integrally houses the latch mechanism 30 and the lock mechanism 31 for preventing these mechanisms from being eroded by water or being operated improperly. The latch mechanism 30 having a known configuration includes a latch 30a (shown in Fig. 3) for engaging or disengaging relative to a striker (not shown) and a pawl 30b (shown in Fig.3) for controlling a ~~pivotally~~ pivotal movement of the latch 30a. The latch 30a is pivotally supported by a shaft 30c extending in longitudinal direction which is a direction of a flat surface of the door (flat surface extending in longitudinal direction and vertical direction of the vehicle), and the pawl 30b is rotatably supported by a shaft 30d extending in longitudinal direction of the vehicle. The lock mechanism 31 having a known configuration includes a lever, a link, a motor for actuating the lever, a terminal base at which the motor is electrically connected and the like (not shown).

Kindly replace the paragraph beginning at line 31 of page 6 and extending to line 2 of page 7 with the following amended paragraph.

As shown in Fig. 1 and Fig. 2, a connector 33 is formed at the upper portion of the first cover 32b, which is electrically connected to the terminal base. The connector 33 is connected to the harness 34 being electrically connected to the electric control unit (hereinafter called the ~~EUC~~ ECU) (not shown) provided at the vehicle body side.